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House Meets at 10:00 a.m. for Legislative Business

Anticipated Floor Action:

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Floor Situation: The House will consider H.Res. 91 as its only business today. Yesterday, the Rules Committee granted a closed rule providing one hour of debate, equally divided between the chairman and ranking minority member of the House Oversight Committee. It self-executes (i.e., adopts as part of the base text upon passage of the rule) the text of H.Res. 102, an amendment in the nature of a substitute. Finally, the rule provides for one motion to recommit.

Summary: H.Res. 91 authorizes temporary funding for the basic operations of 18 House committees—excluding the Government Reform & Oversight Committee—freezing committee funding at current levels until May 2, 1997. Currently, funding for House committees is set to expire on March 31. For the Government Reform & Oversight Committee, the resolution authorizes \$20 million over two years, including \$3.8 million for the committee's campaign fundraising investigation. It also authorizes \$7.9 million for a reserve fund for unanticipated expenses of any House committee that first receives approval from the House Oversight Committee. Finally, the resolution requires that any net increase in funding for committees over levels provided in the 104th Congress must be offset by reductions in expenses for other legislative activities. The resolution was introduced by Mr. Thomas and was not considered by any committee.

Views:

Republican Leadership: Supports

Chairman Thomas: Supports

